

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1074**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chavez**

February 20, 2003

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An act to add Section 18713 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to boxing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1074, as introduced, Chavez. MRI examinations.

Existing law, the Boxing Act, provides for the regulation of boxing matches and makes a violation of the act's requirements a crime. Under existing law, a promoter is required to retain a physician and surgeon to attend the match, perform a physical examination of the contestants, and observe their condition during the match.

This bill would additionally require that a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) examination be performed on a contestant in a professional or amateur boxing match who is rendered unconscious. The bill would prohibit the contestant from resuming participation in the match if the MRI results indicated resuming the activity may be injurious to his or her health.

Because the bill would specify an additional requirement under the Boxing Act, a violation of which is a crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 18713 is added to the Business and  
2 Professions Code, to read:  
3 18713. If a contestant in a professional or amateur boxing  
4 match is rendered unconscious, a magnetic resonance imaging  
5 (MRI) examination shall be immediately performed on the  
6 contestant. The contestant shall not resume participation in the  
7 match if the results of the MRI indicate that resuming that activity  
8 may be injurious to the contestant's health.  
9 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
10 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
11 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school  
12 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or  
13 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty  
14 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of  
15 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within  
16 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
17 Constitution.

